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SIR,—It has come to my notice that on pages 324–326 of the Society's *Journal* for April, 1891, in a paper by Professor Peterson, entitled "Pāṇini, Poet and Grammarian," there are passages which are open to the construction that the Mandasor Inscription, which gives the date of the Mālava year 493 for the early Gupta King Kumāragupta, was *discovered* in 1885 by the late Paṇḍit Bhagvanlāl Indrajī. But this construction would not be in accordance with the facts. As has been plainly stated by me in 1886 in the *Indian Antiquary*, vol. xv. 194; and again in 1888 in my *Gupta Inscriptions*, pp. 74, 149, the inscription in question was *discovered* by my copyists, under my direction, in March, 1884. And I have only to add that Paṇḍit Bhagvanlāl Indrajī learnt the existence of the inscription from myself, between the 4th and 11th April, 1884, when I showed him the impressions of it, which my copyists had made and brought to me.

I trust that the Council will give this communication a place in the Society's Proceedings.—I am, yours faithfully,

J. F. FLEET.

To the Secretary of the Royal Asiatic Society.